

PROMISED HOT TIME

Indiana Man Resented Forclosures of His Home.

DYNAMITE IN EVERY ROOM

When Told of the Foreclosure He Said a Warm Welcome Awaited Those Who Would Enter House, and Only by Intuition Officers Escape Injury.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Startling events which have followed the mysterious disappearance of John A. Thompson, a wealthy but eccentric Swede, have aroused the village of Hobart, Ind., to a state of high excitement. When Marshal Fred Russe and Trustee Alvin Wilde yesterday went to Thompson's bachelor house on the outskirts of Lake station, they had narrow escapes from being blown up by dynamite.

A woman named Helen Fritchie, held a mortgage on the Thompson house, which he declined to satisfy. Last week she determined to foreclose and notified her agent, Charles Zydel.

Zydel met Thompson in Hobart and told him of Mrs. Fritchie's determination. Thompson remarked:

"Well, there will be a hot welcome for you when you come."

For over a week Thompson had not been seen and his house was closed and the blinds drawn.

Wilde and Marshal Russe went to the farmhouse to investigate. Both officials were of the opinion that Thompson had killed himself. Russe was about to break in the front door, when he says he was seized with an intuition to get away from the door.

Going to a side window the men climbed into the house. They were unable to find a trace of Thompson but in the hall leading to the front door was found a pile of dynamite of which there was several pounds.

It was connected with the front door by a wire fuse to an electric battery so that the intruder would have exploded the mass of explosives.

Black powder was strewn in every direction over every door in the room of the house and wires led from the front door to the explosives in all outside were suspended heavy weights designed to fall if the doors were opened.

SPECULATION ACTIVE.

New York, Dec. 2.—The very active speculation of the early part of the week in Wall street showed signs of running in excess in special stocks. This led to some revulsion of sentiment. Renewed large demands for currency from interior points, shipments of gold to Mexico, believed to be for purchase of silver and the requirements of the December settlements ran up call money rate again later in the week and put some constraint on the speculation. The disturbed conditions in Russia and the financial unsettlement resulting found some reflection in the New York market. The latter reaction considerably impaired the early gains and carried some stocks back to below last week.

TO ESTABLISH FERRY SERVICE.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 2.—The Ontario Car Ferry Co., was incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of \$500,000. The incorporators are: C. M. Hays, E. S. Fitzhugh, and J. W. Loid, of the Grand Trunk railway, Montreal, and R. F. Yates, T. F. Noonan, and R. W. Davis of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg. The company will establish a car ferry service between "Canadian and American ports," according to the papers filed here.

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

New York, Dec. 2.—William B. Leeds, formerly vice president of the American Tin Plate Company and more recently president of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway, is lying in his Fifth avenue home, having been stricken with a slight attack of paralysis, says the Herald. His entire left side is affected. It was said last night that the attack was not serious, and that his physicians held out hopes for a speedy recovery.

Of Interest to Clergy.

The Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Co., having been granted membership in the Trans-Continental Clergy Bureau, the name of that company will appear in the clergy application blanks and clergy certificates issued by the bureau for 1906, and commencing January 1st, of the coming year. These permits will be honored by all agents of the A. & C. R. R., thus eliminating the individual half-fare permits issued by that company in former years. Requests for official application blanks should be made to J. C. Mayo, general passenger agent, Astoria.

Are you lacking in strength and vigor? Are you weak? Are you in pain? Do you feel all run down? The blessing of health and strength come to all who use Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Sold by Frank Hart.

B. P. O. E. TO CONEVNE IN LODGE OF SORROW

The Astoria Elks, in common with their brethren the world over, will today convene in memorial assembly and indulge the beautiful ceremonial of the Order incident thereto. The Lodge of Sorrow will open at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, at the Elk's hall, under the leadership of Exalted Ruler Malcolm Barger and his staff of officials.

J. P. Kavanagh, an able and eloquent Elk, of Portland will deliver the memorial address, and if he bears out the traditions of the order his contribution should afford pleasure and interest to the big audience certain to be on hand.

John C. McCue, the well known orator of the city, has been called to Portland to deliver the same manner of address to the metropolitan Elks, and it is certain he will leave nothing to be desired in his effort.

Following is the full program put forth in behalf of this annual observance today:

Order of Exercises

PART I

- 1. Processional—"Chopin's Funeral March" - - - - - Orchestra
- 2. Pilgrim Chorus—from "I Lombardi" - - - - - Verdi
Choir
- 3. Address - - - - - Exalted Ruler
- 4. Schubert's Serenade - - - - - Orchestra
- 5. Ritualistic Exercises - - - - -

OPENING ODD—Air, "Auld Lang Syne"

Great Ruler of the Universe,
All seeing and benign,
Look down upon and bless our work
And be all glory Thine!
Oh, hear our prayers for our honored dead,
While bearing in our minds
The memories graven on each heart,
For Auld Lang Syne.

Invocation, ending with chant, "The Lord's Prayer"

Bro. S. C. Morton

- 6. Solo—"Calvary" - - - - - Paul Rodney
Mr. Frank Carnahan
- 7. Appear, Thou Light Divine - - - - - C. P. Morrison
Choir

PART II

- 1. Evening Star—"from Tannhauser" - - - - - R. Wagner
Orchestra
- 2. Solo—"Ave Maria" - - - - - H. Millard
Mrs. G. C. Watkins
- 3. Address - - - - - Bro. J. P. Kavanagh
- 4. Lead Kindly Light - - - - - J. A. Parks
Ladies Quartet
Mrs. A. A. Finch Mrs. C. Callender
Miss M. Busey Miss McCann
- 5. Recitation—"Thanatopsis" - - - - - Bro. N. D. Johnson
- 6. Solo—"Oh, Rest in the Lord!" Oratory of Elijah
Miss Laurie McCann
- 7. Intermezzo Sinfonico—from "Cavalleria Rusticana" - - - - - Theo. Moses
Orchestra
- 8. Trio—"Ave Verum" - - - - - Kreutzer
Mrs. Watkins Mr. Johnson Mr. Carnahan
- 9. Gloria in Excelsis—from "Twelfth Mass" - - - - - Mozart
Choir
- 10. Closing Exercises, - - - - -

—DOXOLOGY—

Benediction by Chaplain

Conductress, Mrs. Chas. L. Houston
Pianist, Mrs. Otto Heilborn

In Memoriam

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| J. E. PLUNKETT | PETER BRACH | ALEX CAMPBELL |
| J. W. WILLIAMS | DR. A. L. FULTON | J. W. HUME |
| W. F. SCHEIBE | A. J. MEGLER | J. E. YOUNG |
| CHAS. McDONALD | J. M. YOUNG | H. E. NELSON |
| ERICK JOHNSON | J. W. TALBOTT | C. J. BROWN |

Remarkable Cure.

"I was afflicted with sciatica," writes Ed. C. Nud, Iowaville, Sedgwick Co., Kan., going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment, which relieved me.

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Morning Astorian, 75 cents a month.

FAIRBANKS ISSUES INVITATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks have issued invitations to a dinner in honor of President and Mrs. Roosevelt on December 22. The same hosts will also entertain small dinner companies on Monday, December 18, and Tuesday, December 19 at their new home on Farragut square.

Good advice to women. If you want a beautiful complexion, clear skin, bright eyes, red lips, good health, take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. There is nothing like it. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Sold by Frank Hart.

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DAMAGED IN A STORM.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—The schooner John D. Spreckles, which left here on October 24, on a codfishing cruise in the northern seas, returned to port yesterday. She encountered a continuous succession of gales on her way north and suffered so severely that she finally had to put back, with sprung spars, her bowsprit carried away, her copper sheathing in ribbons and leaking like a sieve.

Cured Paralysis.

W. F. Bailey, P. O. True, Texas, writes: "My wife had been suffering five years with paralysis in her arm, when I was persuaded to use Ballard's Snow Liniment, which cured her all right. I have also used it for old sores, frostbites and skin eruptions. It does the work." Sold by Hart's drug store.

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SOCIAL SUMMARY

Thanksgiving week usually ushers in the holiday gaiety and the past week has been no exception. Society folk have been entertained by numerous card parties, social gatherings and dances. Quite a few collegians and others absent from home returned for those family reunions around the festive board which really makes Thanksgiving.

The St. Agnes Guild gave a very creditable and enjoyable entertainment at Grace church Monday evening. An exceptionally fine program had been prepared and was well executed. The entertainment closed with a one act play entitled "The Woman's Society" which was very laughable. The affair was entirely successful and a neat sum realized besides giving an evening of pleasure to the many who witnessed it.

The Thanksgiving dance at Ford & Stokes hall given by the "Owls" was a distinct success. The large hall was tastefully decorated with flags and ferns interwoven among numerous electric lights which gave a very pretty effect. The large number of society folks present attested the popularity of the "Owls" and it is hoped that their inaugural dance will be followed shortly by another such enjoyable affair.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Stuart charmingly entertained about fifty of their friends with a Thanksgiving dinner and eucore party. After the game was finished and prizes awarded, the rooms were cleared and the "Old Virginia Reel" brought to a close a most enjoyable evening.

Miss Annette Morton was down from Clatskanie to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Simpson Morton.

Her many friends are glad to see Miss Grace Stokes who is home from Berkeley for the holidays.

The Misses Vandusen were down from St. Helen's hall to spend Thanksgiving with their parents and to attend the dance of the "Owls."

Miss Leta Drain was down from Portland where she is attending college to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Smith and to attend the "Owls" dance.

The Pastime Club were delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Caruthers Friday evening. Six hand euchre was the game played, and the fortunate prize winners were Mrs. Jay Tuttle, Dr. Broadwater, and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Stuart.

The Every Fortnight Eucore Club will be entertained by Mrs. Mary McKensie and Miss Helen Dickinson Monday evening.

The Thursday Club did not meet this week on account of Thanksgiving, but will be entertained by Mrs. Richard Caruthers next Thursday.

A rare treat is in store for those who are so fortunate as to be invited to the Elk's Memorial, in the Odd Fellows' hall this afternoon. An exceptionally fine program will be rendered and the ceremonies of the "Lodge of Sorrow" are always beautiful and impressive.

The wedding on Thanksgiving day, of Miss Alice Scott of this city and Mr. Thos. Galeen, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Portland takes from Astoria a well known and popular young lady, the foster-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Spellmier of Ninth street. The young people will return to Portland when they will remain for a few months, returning to Astoria later, to occupy one of the Trullinger cottages now in course of construction as their future and permanent home.